

Remarks

I. The Amendments

The amendments above were made to correct a typographical error in which the date of deposition was wrongly entered as 23.01.2001 instead of 19.01.2001. These amendments clearly do not add new matter to the application, and their entry is therefore respectfully requested.

II. Submission of Computer Readable Form of Sequence Listing

Enclosed herewith is a 3.5 inch computer diskette containing a copy of the enclosed Sequence Listing in ASCII text.

III. Statements to Comply With Sequence Listing Rules

In compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(f), Applicants' undersigned attorney hereby states the content of the paper and computer readable copies of the Sequence Listing submitted herewith are the same. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(g), Applicants' undersigned attorney hereby states that the Sequence Listing submitted herewith does not add new matter to the application.

Conclusion

In light of the amendments and remarks above, Applicants submit that they have now fully complied with all Sequence Listing rules. It is therefore respectfully submitted that this application is now in condition for substantive review.

If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a phone call may help to expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to call Applicants' undersigned attorney at (703) 905-2173.

Respectfully submitted,

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Appendix

Version with Markings to Show Changes Made

Page 17, line 21 and page 23, line 11 of the specification have been amended herein. The changes that were made are shown below with the underlined words indicating text that was added and bracketed words indicating text that was removed.

The fourth full paragraph on page 17 was amended as follows:

The following microorganism was deposited on 19.01.2001 [23.01.2001] as a pure culture at the Deutsche Sammlung für Mikroorganismen [[sic]] und Zellkulturen (DSMZ = German Collection of Microorganisms and Cell Cultures, Braunschweig, Germany) in accordance with the Budapest Treaty:

The second paragraph on page 23 was amended as follows:

The following microorganism was deposited as a pure culture on 19.01.2001 [23.01.2001] at the Deutsche Sammlung für Mikroorganismen [[sic]] und Zellkulturen (DSMZ = German Collection of Microorganisms and Cell Cultures, Braunschweig, Germany) in accordance with the Budapest Treaty: